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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Gregory R. Fischer on the naming of a new middle school in Aurora after him; and

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WHEREAS, Gregory R. Fischer Middle School was dedicated on October 25, 2009 in honor of Mr. Fischer, an educator in the Indian Prairie School District 204 for 32 years; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Fischer is credited with leading the district's transition from a traditional junior high school model to the current term-oriented approach to middle schools; the middle school model is a "whole child" approach that stresses the importance of social, emotional, and intellectual growth; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Fischer retired in 2004; he began his career as a physical education teacher at Indian Plains Grade School and later served as the assistant principal at Waubonsie Valley Junior/Senior High School; he was later named principal at Thayer Hill Jr. High School; in 1987 he was named principal of Gordon Gregory Middle School and served for the next seventeen years; and

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WHEREAS, Under his leadership, Gordon Gregory Middle

1 School was recognized as an Illinois Horizon School; both
2 Thayer Hill Jr. High School and Gordon Gregory Middle School
3 were named Demonstration Schools by the Association of Illinois
4 Middle-level Schools (AIMS); and in 2003 AIMS recognized Mr.
5 Fischer's dedication and commitment to middle school students
6 and their education by presenting him with the Robert Knight
7 Award for Distinguished Service to Middle Level Education; and

8 WHEREAS, Gregory Fischer and his wife, Julie, have two
9 children; their son, Josh, and his wife, Susie, have three
10 children; their daughter, Alison, and her husband, Christian,
11 are expecting their first child soon; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 congratulate Mr. Fischer on this honor and wish him the best in
15 the future; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to Mr. Gregory Fischer as a symbol of our respect and
18 esteem.